

PRAYER GUIDE FOR THE VIGIL BEFORE PENTECOST WITH EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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Introductory RemarksSister N

9:00 P.M. Conference. Fr. Krzysztof Kowal, MS (La Salette Father)

~ 9:40 P.M. EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



S1: *“Welcome, O hidden Love, life of my soul. Welcome, O Jesus under the meagre guise of bread. Welcome, O my sweetest Mercy, You pour Yourself out upon all souls. Welcome, O infinite Goodness, You sow streams of graces all around. Welcome, O Brightness bedimmed, Light of souls. Welcome, O Fount of inexhaustible mercy – Source most pure from which life and holiness issue for us. Welcome, O Delight of pure souls. Welcome, Only Hope of sinful souls.” (St. Faustina, Diary 1733)*

S2: Lord Jesus, we gather before You, truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. We thank You for speaking to us through the conference we just heard. We want to spend a few moments right now to return to those points in the conference that touched our hearts. We want to ponder them more deeply in silence next to Your Heart.

(Silence. About 10 min)

S2: Lord Jesus, You are in our midst, You are all the time the same - the merciful Savior who suffered and died on the cross for our sins. You gave your own life, Lord, so that we may live. From Your pierced Heart flowed Blood and Water - [symbol of the] holy sacraments, the Holy Spirit and all His gifts. You are risen, and You have fulfilled your promise that You will

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The Vigil will ALSO be audio-linked to the Shrine of Divine Mercy—that is, our Convent Chapel. So the live audio of the Pentecost Adoration Vigil at the Basilica will also be available from our website: <https://www.faustyna.pl/zmbm/en/transmission-of-the-hour-of-mercy-and-the-chaplet/> or from our Youtube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bHCfL07FKIs> or <https://livestream.com/accounts/11477776/events/3773195>

not leave us orphans, but You will come back to us. Before You left this world, You assured your disciples:

S3: *I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, which the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows it. But you know it, because it remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.* (Jn. 14: 16-18)

S2: Lord God, You are faithful forever for You cannot deny Yourself. Your Word endures forever. In the Old Testament book of the prophet Joel, we read:

S3: *"It shall come to pass I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even upon your male and female servants, in those days, I will pour out my spirit."* (Jl 3:1-2)

S2: We give You thanks, Merciful Lord Jesus, for your faithfulness. Through St. Faustina, You assure us that Your mercy lasts from age to age. Mercy is Your greatest attribute. It is greater than the evil in the world, stronger than death. You told Faustina:

S1: *"My mercy is greater than your wretchedness and all the world's wretchedness. Who has measured My goodness? For you I came down to Earth from Heaven; for you I let Myself be nailed to the cross; for you I let the lance pierce My Most Sacred Heart and I opened up the spring of mercy for you; come and draw graces from this spring with the vessel of trust. I shall never reject a humble heart; your wretchedness has sunk in the depth of My mercy. Why should you quarrel with Me about your wretchedness? Do Me the pleasure of entrusting all your misery, all your wretchedness to Me, and I shall fill you with the treasure of My graces."* (D 1485)



S2: Lord, You always keep your promises, they are always in force. After Your resurrection You instructed the disciples to stay and wait for the power that will come from on high. This was the last instruction You gave them:

S3: *"(...) Everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And [behold] I am sending the promise of my Father* upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."* (Lk. 24: 44b-49)

S2: Lord Jesus, You didn't demand something impossible from your apostles. You also do not expect anything extraordinary from us. You [just] want that we trust in Your Word; that we be vigilant. You, who are the living God, desire an intimate relationship with us! To Your Apostle of Mercy, [St. Faustina] You actually confided:

S1: *"...I have not entered into such an intimate union with any angel as I have with you."* (cf. D 534)

S2: Jesus, You want us to want You. You, who are Love itself, want to give Yourself to us, to pour out Your love into our hearts. Lord, with St. Faustina's words, we beg You:

S1: *"[Lord] ...I know and believe that You can do anything; if You have deigned to be so generous to me, I know You can be even more generous; bring me into intimacy with Yourself, as far as human nature can be brought..."* (D 1631).

A moment of silence

S2: Lord, this night, may Your desire come to meet our desire, which You Yourself have placed in our hearts.

S3: *"All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, buy grain and eat; Come, buy grain without money, wine and milk without cost! Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what does not satisfy? Only listen to me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare"* (Is 55: 1-2).

S3: *"Hear then, Jacob, my servant, Israel, whom I have chosen. Thus says the LORD who made you, your help, who formed you from the womb: Do not fear, Jacob, my servant, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen. I will pour out water upon the thirsty ground, streams upon the dry land; I will pour out my spirit upon your offspring, my blessing upon your descendants. They shall spring forth amid grass like poplars beside flowing waters. One shall say, "I am the LORD's," another shall be*

named after Jacob, And this one shall write on his hand, "The LORD's," and receive the name Israel." (Is. 44:1-5)



S3: **"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!" (Lk 12:49)**

S2: A fire also blazed within St. Faustina, a fire of Your mercy, of Your desires, the fire of Your Spirit.

S1: *"O Eternal God, within me burns an inextinguishable re of supplication for mercy; I sense and recognise this as my task, here and in eternity. You Yourself have told me to speak of Your great mercy and goodness." (D 483)*

S2: O Holy Spirit, this evening, give us the grace so that during this Vigil, we will not place any obstacle to Your action within us. May He who "came to set the earth on fire" (cf. Lk 12:49) transform and purify us, enable us to submit to the working of Your saving power, the Spirit of Love!

A moment of silence.



S2: We worship You, O Holy Spirit, You are our Consoler and Guide. You constantly convince us of the Father's love and teaching us that each one of us is His beloved Child.

S3: *"For those who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption, through which we cry, "Abba, Father!" The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God."(Rom. 8:14-16).*

S1: *"I feel I am completely God's; I feel I am His child; I feel I am entirely His property. I am even sensing this physically and tangibly. I am absolutely confident about everything, for I know that it is up to my Bridegroom to take care of me. I have become completely oblivious of myself. My trust in His most merciful Heart is boundless. I am united with Him all the time." (D 244)*

S2: Holy Spirit, Consoler, we beg you, immerse us in the merciful love of the Father. Today, convince us anew of the Father's love for each one of us. Pray in us, O Spirit of God. Help us

to worship the Father together with Jesus; He is the Beloved Son of the Father, He also made us, in Himself, children of the Father.



S2: Merciful Lord, we give You thanks that You are our Way, our Truth and our Life. You desire our good, You desire the greatest good for us, eternal bliss. In Your love You want to bestow Your peace upon us. A peace, which no one but You can give. To each one of us individually You say:

S3: *“The Advocate, the holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that [I] told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.” (Jn 14: 26-27)*

S2: Lord Jesus, You have assured us that the One whom You have promised will remain always with us. When we are frightened, afraid or worried, it’s important to know and experience that we are not alone. You have promised us, Lord, that the Holy Spirit will always be beside us. You said to the apostles that You will send them the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. This promise, Lord, is also for us. You are going to send the One who will remain with us, and we shall never again be alone. You have promised that You are going to send the One who will lead us to the Father and who will open our hearts to His Love. The *Paraclete* (*Parakletos*) - to Him we may call out when we are afraid.

Jesus, You invite me to call out to the Holy Spirit who wants to be beside me, He will clarify everything and will bring into my heart the longed-for experience of peace. The *Paraclete* (*Parakletos*) - is the One who is always present at my side, if only I would call out to Him! This is Your promise, Lord Jesus! In whatever situation in life that I might find myself, You assure me that the Holy Spirit will be with me, and this gives deep peace to my heart. Lord, give me the grace to place my hope in Your Promise!

S3: *“And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the holy Spirit that has been given to us” (Rom. 5:5).*

S1: *“O Spirit Divine, Spirit of peace and joy, Reinforcing my thirsting heart with Divine might, I drink of God’s living fount and His love enjoy... (D 1411) The Lord is faithful – He sticks to what He has said. (D 935)*

A longer moment of silence....



S2: Lord Jesus, despite Your Promises, Your faithfulness, Your merciful love, our lives often do not give witness to You, they do not proclaim our faith in Your resurrection. Our lives tend to be like that which was described by the prophet Ezechiel:

S3: "The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he led me out in the spirit of the LORD and set me in the center of the broad valley. It was filled with bones. He made me walk among them in every direction. So many lay on the surface of the valley! How dry they were! He asked me: Son of man, can these bones come back to life? "Lord GOD," I answered, "you alone know that." (Ezek. 37:1-3)

S2: The presence of sin in our life causes us to be like these dry bones. Through sin, we cut off our relationship with God, we turn our backs on Him who is the one and only Source of Life. But He does not leave us in such a state. HE has the power to bring us back to life, to work a miracle in us and give us new life. Jesus said to Sr. Faustina:

S1: Tell souls where they are to seek comfort, in the tribunal of My mercy; that's where the greatest miracles happen all the time. To obtain such a miracle (...) all you have to do is come to one of My representatives in a spirit of faith and tell him of your misery, and the miracle of Divine mercy will come about in all its fullness. Even should a soul be like a rotting carcass and even if to human eyes there should be no restoration and everything seemed to be utterly lost – for God it's not like that, the miracle of Divine mercy raises up that soul completely. (D 1448)

S3: "Then [the Lord] said to me: Prophesy over these bones, and say to them: Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Listen! I will make breath enter you so you may come to life. I will put sinews on you, make flesh grow over you, cover you with skin, and put breath into you so you may come to life. Then you shall know that I am the LORD. I prophesied as I had been commanded. A sound started up, as I was prophesying, rattling like thunder. The bones came together, bone joining to bone. As I watched, sinews appeared on them, flesh grew over them, skin covered them on top, but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me: Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man! Say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: From the four winds come, O breath, and breathe into these

slain that they may come to life. I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath entered them; they came to life and stood on their feet, a vast army.” (Ez 37: 4-10)

A moment of silence

S2: We give You thanks, O Merciful Lord, for You are never discouraged by our falls, by our sins. You see beauty in us, You see the good in us, even when we don't see it all in us. We thank You, Lord, that the Holy Spirit awakens trust in us, that we may be able to dare to ask for Your forgiveness whenever we fall. It is in this way that we worship Your great mercy. Through St. Faustina, You assure us that the greater the sinner, the greater the right to Your mercy. This is the Good News. Our God is a Father who looks for each one of His lost children.

O Holy Spirit, we pray, come to our hearts with the power of Your love! Come with the gift of trust in divine mercy! Come and convert our hearts! May all that is dead within us - come to life by the power of Your grace! Come to us now, O Holy Spirit and give us new life!



S2: Jesus, in Your merciful love You give us Mary as our Mother. She notices the daily necessities of her children, the great needs and the small. She was always fully open to Your Spirit and His action; and She also takes care of us so that we may be able to receive the gift of God. The wedding in Cana of Galilee, assures us of Mary's concern for us:

S3: *“On the third day there was a wedding in Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” (Jn. 2:1-3)*

S2: Mary, we also often experience various kinds of wants, deficiencies. We often lack love, patience, inner peace and joy which the Spirit of God brings. Grant us, O Blessed Mother, the grace so that we may be able to rejoice in the works of God in our life, that we may be able to perceive the divine action in our lives. May prayers of adoration flow from our hearts, just as it flowed from Your Heart when you sang your Magnificat. Together with you we want to sing: *“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.”*

O Mary, Spouse of the Holy Spirit, You were so richly blessed by God! Out of gratitude you sang to Him your song of praise for the great things that He has done for You. Today, I want to join your prayer, and together with You to thank God for the great gifts that He has be-

stowed upon you. I want to thank Him also for the gifts and charisms that I have received from Him. How often I forget, O Mother, that they were given to me not only for my sake, but so that with them I may serve God and men. You know, that I am still unable to do this with interior freedom. And so today, I surrender them to You, Mary. I ask You, O Mother, entrust all the gifts I've received to the Holy Spirit so that He may renew them within me. And may He also strengthen within me the gift of knowledge, so that I may learn how to use the gifts and charisms given me in order to serve with courage, humility and love.



S2: Lord Jesus, for this You died and rose: that we *"might have life and have it more abundantly"* (Jn. 10:10) You desire that we abide in You, like branches on the vine. You are with us in every situation and You want to comfort us with Your Presence, peace and joy, despite the many cares or trials that may weigh on us. This is possible only if our gaze is always riveted on You, Jesus, on Your Face full of mercy. Just as You said to the apostles, so You say to each one of us:

S3: *"As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete."* (Jn 15: 9-10)

S2: O Holy Spirit, You are the Spirit of Joy! We surrender to You our sorrows and despondencies for You have the power to change our hearts. We pray that You may come and help us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but You Yourself, O Spirit of God, intercede for us with inexpressible groanings. (Cf Rom. 8:26).

We may quench our thirsts by drinking from the fount of the water of life. O Holy Spirit, in Your presence divine joy is ready to enter our souls to make all of our discouragements, bitterness and despair disappear, to overcome all hopelessness. In place of all the sorrows of our heart, O Spirit of God Your joy begins to fill and inundate us. In Psalm 30 we read:

S3: *"O LORD, You changed my mourning into dancing; you took off my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness. So that my glory may praise you and not be silent. O LORD, my God, forever I will give you thanks.* (Ps 30: 12-13).

S2: Holy Spirit, we offer to You our whole life, we invite You to come to our hearts, come put in order all the relationships that we have, come be present in all the areas of our lives.

Today, we offer to You, all that is difficult for us. O Holy Spirit, we implore You for the grace that we may never doubt the goodness and love of Our God. Grant us Your joy, that we may adore the Divine Mercy and be His witness before all those with whom we live.

S3: *“The wilderness and the parched land will exult; the Arabah will rejoice and bloom; Like the crocus it shall bloom abundantly, and rejoice with joyful song. (...) Strengthen hands that are feeble, make firm knees that are weak, Say to the fearful of heart: Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; With divine recompense he comes to save you. Then the eyes of the blind shall see, and the ears of the deaf be opened; Then the lame shall leap like a stag, and the mute tongue sing for joy. For waters will burst forth in the wilderness, and streams in the Arabah.” (Is. 35:1-2a; 3-6)*



S2: Do not be afraid for I am with You, I am Your One and Only Savior and Lord. You do not need to fight alone, for You are not able to handle battles on your own. I want to give You My Spirit, He will give You His power. My Spirit in You will be Your strength along the way to the Father. Trust in Me, open your heart fully to me, dare to desire me again with all the strength of your heart, I need your consent to act in You so that I may fill Your heart to the full with my grace, my power, my merciful love which your poor, fearful, wounded heart so very much needs.

I know well your heart, for I have created it, I know your every movement, I know all your pain, sorrow, loneliness and fears. My child, I want to wipe away your tears, to heal your heart full of hurts, to strengthen it. This my Spirit will accomplish in You, when You accept Him. You are the pearl for which my divine heart seeks, a sheep which I am always looking for. Place your trust in Me.

S1: *“(...) I am love and mercy itself; there is no misery that could measure up to My mercy; neither can my Mercy be exhausted by wretchedness, for My mercy increases as it is being dispensed. Most happy is the soul that puts its trust in My mercy, for I Myself am concerned for its wellbeing” (D 1273). “ (...) You would not be able to bear the full power of the love I have for you if I were to reveal all of it to you here on Earth; o en I unveil just a small fraction of it for you, but you should know that this is only a special grace from Me. My love and mercy know no bounds.” (D. 718)*



S2: Holy Spirit, we implore You:

Transform our inner tensions into holy peace and relaxation,
Transform our anxieties into soothing serenity,
Transform our cares and concerns into peaceful trust,
Transform our fear into invincible faith,
Transform our bitterness into the sweetness of Your grace,
Transform the darkness of our hearts into gentle light,
Transform our indifference into heartfelt kindness,
Transform our nights into Your light,
Transform the winter in our hearts into Your spring,
Straighten our crooked ways,
Fill our emptiness, knock down our pride, purify us and grant us humility,
Set us afire with love, put out the explosions of our sensuality, the lust of the flesh,
Grant that we may know ourselves as You see us,
That we may be able to know You, as You, O Lord, have promised.
That we may happy and blessed according Your Word:
Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God.



S1: “(...) O, Divine Spirit, director of the soul, wise is he whom You have exercised and trained. But silence and recollection are necessary for the Divine Spirit to work in the soul (...)” (D 145) “...The Holy Spirit ... sends His quiet inspirations to the recollected soul, to the silent soul (...) D.552)

“(...) Oh, if only souls would listen just a little to the voice of their conscience, listen to the voice, that is to the inspiration that comes from the Holy Spirit, just a little, I shall say – because once we submit to the influence of the Divine Spirit, He Himself will supply and fill up all that is wanting in us (...)” (D. 359) “(...) It’s up to the soul to be faithful to the promptings of the Holy Spirit, or it can put up resistance to this same Holy Spirit (...)” (D 1556)

“Lord, You know that ever since my young days I have been trying to discover Your will, and having learned it I have always tried to fulfill it. My heart has grown accustomed to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit, and I am faithful to Him. I have been able to hear the voice of God even in the midst of the loudest noise...” (D 1504)

S2: Holy Spirit, we pray to You, give us the grace of recollection and sensitivity to Your voice so that You Yourself may freely act in our souls. You know us well, You penetrate the depths of our being, yet at the same You humbly wait for the moment when we decide to open to You, allowing You to work in us and to transform our inner selves.



Prayer in silence.

PART II

S3: *“When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues,* as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. (Acts 2:1-4)*

S2: Lord, today we, too, are in one place together before You. Just like the apostles, we need a new outpouring of Your Spirit into our hearts, into our minds. Lord, we desire to surrender our dormant desires and thirsts, our too-small expectations; we want to give over to You everything that blocks us or does not allow us to fully receive Your gifts that You have prepared for us.

Jesus, we want to place our trust in You anew. You always fulfill what You have promised. You desire to give more, to love us more deeply, to press us close, nesting us in Your pierced, merciful Heart. You want to envelop us with your mercy and tenderness. We read Your words in the Diary of St. Faustina: **I am pleased when they ask for much, for I want to bestow much, and even very much (1578)** You desire to kindle in us the fire of Your love. The prophet Jeremiah wrote of his experience:

S3: *“But then it is as if fire is burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones; I grow weary holding back, I cannot!” (Jer 20: 9b)*

S2: In the Book of Revelation You speak to us:

S3: *“To the thirsty I will give a gift from the spring of life-giving water.” (Rev. 21: 6b) “The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” Let the hearer say, “Come.” Let the one who thirsts come forward, and the one who wants it receive the gift of life-giving water.” (Rev. 22:17).*



S1: Sr. Faustina wrote: *“One day the Lord said to me, “Be like the beggar who does not turn down a bigger offering than usual, but instead is more thankful than usual; so you, too, if I grant you greater graces than usual, don’t turn them down, saying you’re not worthy of them. I know that; instead be happy and take as many treasures from My Heart as you can carry, for that’s when you please Me all the more. And I’ll tell you one more thing – take graces not just for yourself, but also for your neighbours, that is encourage the souls you meet to trust in My in nite mercy. O, how I love souls who have put all their trust in Me – I’ll do anything for them.” (D 294)*

Moment of silence.

S2: Holy Spirit, You come to those who are thirsty for You, who want to experience Your presence and power. O Holy Spirit, to us You also want to bestow Your gifts and charisms. We invite You, O Holy Spirit, come to our communities, come to our families, to this place where we are praying now. We want to see the miracle of Your Presence in our lives! Send us the fire of Your love so that the prophecy of St John the Baptist may be fulfilled:

S3: *“I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire.” (Mt 3: 11)*

Moment of silence.



PART III

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S2: Let us worship the Holy Spirit, the Consoling Spirit, whom Jesus “asked the Father to give to us, to be with us always, the Spirit of truth” (Jn 14:16) “who will teach us everything and remind us of all that Jesus has told us.” (Jn 14:26). Let praise the Holy Spirit, whom “the Father in heaven will give to those who ask him.” (Lk 11:13). Together we shall repeat the response:

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: O Holy Spirit, we worship You at work in the history of the Chosen People. By patiently preparing the Israelites for the coming and the acceptance of the Messiah, You teach us how to discern Your ways, Lord. You desire to give us a new heart, [removing our hearts of stone] and giving us a heart of flesh (cf. Ezek. 36: 26-8), so that we may know how to love ourselves and our neighbors.

Together let us repeat: *Be praised, O Holy Spirit.*

S2: O Holy Spirit, we worship You present in the gift of the prophets. They prophesied about Jesus Christ: the One who will “baptize with the Holy Spirit and with fire” (cf Lk. 3:16). In Christ we become a new creature.

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: O Holy Spirit, be praised in the work of the covenant entered into with the Chosen People, in the the fortitude and love of the prophets who proclaimed Your word “in season and out of season”. Help us to believe that all the foretelling of the prophets are fulfilled in the life of Christ and are being fulfilled in the life of the Church.

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.



S2:: Holy Spirit, we praise You in the gift of the Incarnation. You allow us “to see the Messiah of the Lord” (Lk. 2:25-26). In Him we are able to recognise how much we have been gifted by God, and we believe that at the moment of our baptism, You also spoke these words over us: “*This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.*” (cf. Mt. 3: 16-17)

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: Holy Spirit, we worship You in the humanity of the Lord Jesus, who “was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil” (Lk. 4:1-2). We praise You in Jesus’ prayer and fasting, in His obedience to the will of the Father.

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: Holy Spirit, we worship You in the mission of the Son of God, You teach us to repeat after Mary, “May it be done to me according to Your word” (Lk. 1:38). By the power of Your love you send us there, where Your love is absent, so that we, too, may “bring glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, so that we may let the oppressed go free” (cf Lk 4:18).

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.



S2: Be praised, O Holy Spirit, “the Spirit of God who dwells in us” (1 Cor 3:16). We experience His action within us when we approach Jesus with faith. Then, You make “rivers of living water flow from within our hearts” (cf Jn 7:37-39). Teach and remind us of everything that Jesus has told us (cf Jn 14:26).

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: Spirit of God, Spirit of Holiness, You are the greatest Gift of the Risen Lord. When Jesus stood in the midst of the Apostles gathered in the Upper Room, “He breathed on them and said: ‘Receive the Holy Spirit!’ (Jn 20:22). “This ‘breath’ endures “(DV 57) and shall become in us “a spring of water welling up to eternal life” (Jn 4:14). May this come true in our life. May Your breath lead us to surrender ourselves completely to God our Father and to our brothers and sisters in union with Jesus, who is our Lord and Savior.

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: Be praised, O Holy Spirit, Spirit of Truth, You who are in us. We experience Your power when as disciples of Jesus we glorify the Father and ask Him for the Spirit of Truth, when we forgive and bring hope. Help us to constantly give witness to Your merciful presence in us.

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.



S2: We praise You, O Holy Spirit, in the gift of the holy sacraments. Through them You set upon us Your own seal, Your own divine insignia. Through them You penetrate and fill our hearts. Intercede for us according to the intentions of God and teach us obedience to Your inspirations (cf. Rom 8:27)

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: We worship You, O Holy Spirit in the gift of Holy Mother Church. You who speak to Churches and give to the victor the right to eat from the tree of life (cf Rev. 2:7), fill us with peace and teach us to remain in unity with the Body of Christ.

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: O Holy Spirit, the Consoler, You dwell in our hearts—they are Your temples. We thank You for bestowing upon each and every one of us Your power so that we may “go and teach all nations, teaching them to observe all that Jesus has commanded us” (Mt. 28:18-20). Strengthen our unity in the Lord and grant that we may be witnesses of His Mercy.

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.



S2: We worship You, Holy Spirit, Spirit of wisdom and knowledge. The fruit of Your grace in us is love, joy and peace. You teach us how to serve our brothers and sisters, You fill our hearts with consolation and send down upon us solace for our souls. Heal our wounded relationships. Lead and transform us, so that we may ever more reveal Your Mercy.

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: We worship You, O Holy Spirit, Spirit of counsel, fortitude and knowledge. The fruit of Your grace in us is patience and gentleness, kindness and self-control. You enable us to accept every trial and fill us with humility in our relationships with our neighbors. Make us witnesses to the truth that living by the Gospel and living in mercy is possible. For we also desire to hear in the depths of our hearts the words which You spoke to St. Faustina: “*You are a delightful abode for Me; in you My Spirit rests.*” (D 346)

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S2: We worship You, Holy Spirit, Spirit of piety and of fear of the Lord. The fruit of this grace in us is goodness and faithfulness. You teach us how to pray and fill our hearts with “hope that does not disappoint” (cf Rom 5:5). Grant us the creativity in mercy needed to build a civilisation of love so that we may sow good seeds everywhere, believing that good always triumphs over evil.

Be praised, O Holy Spirit.

S1: *“Suddenly my spirit was united with God, and in a flash I saw God’s infinite greatness and holiness, and at the same time I realised the nothingness that I am of myself. I came to know, more clearly than ever before, the Three Divine Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Yet one is Their essence, and Their equality, and Their majesty. My soul is in intimate union with the Three, I cannot describe it in words, but my soul understands it very well. Whoever is united with One of the Three Persons is united with the entire Holy Trinity, for Their Unity is inseparable.”* (D. 472).



Silent Prayer to the end

CONCLUSION: HOLY MASS AT MIDNIGHT

Notes:

1. Quotations from the Diary taken from the English translation of the *“Diary, Divine Mercy in My Soul by St. Faustina Kowalska.”* Copyright © 2020. The Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy. <https://www.faustyna.pl/zmbm/en/diary-full-text/>. (English Translation from the original Polish: *“Dzienniczek św. Siostry M. Faustyny Kowalskiej”*)
2. Scriptural quotations from NABRE in <http://www.usccb.org/bible/books-of-the-bible/index.cfm>